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EVERY-THING STARTED AT "HIDA-MARI VILLA", WHILE I WAS LIVING WITH FOUR FRIENDS ...

ANGELIQUE HAS THE ABILITY TO PURIFY THANATOI, OTHERWORLDLY CREATURES WHOSE EXACT NATURE IS UNKNOWN. SHE IS SPURRED INTO ACTION AS AN ORB HUNTER BECAUSE OF THE PEOPLE SUF-FERING FROM THE DAMAGE CAUSED BY THESE THANATOI. CARRYING OUT HER DAILY LIFE WITH FOUR RELIABLE COMPANIONS, ANGELIQUE'S FATE BEGINS TO ALTER DRAMATICALLY... LATEST IN THE NEO ROMANCE SERIES, THE LONG-AWAITED TRANSFORMATION INTO A MANGA COMIC!

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Mika Kajiyama

AFTER THE MANUSCRIPT IS FINISHED I ALWAYS SLEEP LIKE A LOG. IT'S A BRIEF MOMENT OF FULFILMENT AS I FEEL, "I'VE REALLY COMPLETED MY WORK".

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THE SETTING IS A WORLD NAMED ARCADIA DURING AN ERA EMBRACING GREAT CHANGE. THOUGH IT ONCE BLOSSOMED AS A "UTOPIA", MUCH TIME HAS PASSED.

IT IS CURRENTLY ENDANGERED BY OTHERWORLDLY CREATURES OF AN UNKNOWN NATURE KNOWN AS THANATOI WHICH STEAL ONE'S LIFE ENERGY.

THE VILLAGE, HIBUN FOREST.

THANK YOU, ORB HUNTER!

WHOA

IT'S LIKE A DREAM THAT THE THANATOI HAVE GONE!

ANGELIQUE-SAN.

THIS IS A TOKEN OF OUR THANKS. IF YOU WOULD.

I'M SO RELIEVED.

I COULDN'T ACCEPT SOMETHING SO DEAR TO YOU!

SO LONG AS THE VILLAGE IS AT PEACE ...

EVERYONE'S SMILES HAVE RETURNED.

THERE'S NOTHING THAT WOULD MAKE ME HAPPIER.

Flick

I'VE ALREADY COLLECTED IT FROM THE THANATOI.

THAT'S RIGHT. IF WE'RE TALKING ABOUT A REWARD FOR US ORB HUNTERS, THEN...

Tap Tap Tap

ANGELIQUE.

!

ORB HUNTER, ANGELIQUE!

YOU'RE SAYING THAT GIRL ACTUALLY ERADICATED THE THANATOI!?

WHO'D HAVE THOUGHT HER PURIFICATION ABILITY WAS SO STRONG.

HEY, LET'S HURRY AND GET BACK TO THE VILLA.

WE MUST RETURN AND REPORT IMMEDI-ATELY...

WE JUST GOT BACK, NYX-SAN!

CREAK

WELCOME BACK

ANGELIQUE'S GOTTEN PRETTY USED TO BEING A HUNTER.

IT SEEMS NEITHER OF YOU HAVE COME TO ANY HARM.

SHE REALLY HELPED ME OUT THIS TIME.

THAT CERTAINLY SOUNDS VERY PROMISING.

NOW, IF YOU COULD PLEASE CONTINUE TO SUCCEED IN THIS MANNER.

GREAT WORK, YOU TWO!

YOU LOOK HAPPY.

LOOKS LIKE THE COMMISSION ENDED SAFELY.

YES, MYUUGA-SAN!

I'm fine

IT WAS NOTHING MUCH.

J.D.-SAN,

THAT'S QUITE A LOAD YOU'RE CARRYING.

Clap

NOW THEN—

DINNER IS SERVED.

WASH YOUR HANDS, EVERYONE.

TODAY IT'S ALL NYX-SAN'S HOME-MADE COOKING!?

EEH!

THIS IS A MODEST REWARD FOR ALL OF YOU,

SEEING AS YOU TRY SO HARD EACH DAY.

Ha Ha

HAVE I SURPRISED YOU?

SPEAKING OF WHICH, NYX, THESE ARE YOUR NEW SPECIAL-ORDER PLATES, AREN'T THEY?

RAYNE, DON'T BE RUDE TO THE PLATES NOW.

Ah ha ha ha ha ha ha

J.D., EVEN YOU!..

I SEE. SO THAT'S WHY YOU WERE SO ENTHUSI-ASTIC TODAY.

OH, I WONDER ABOUT THAT...

Hmph

THE TASTE'S STILL THE MOST IMPOR-TANT THING, IN MY OPINION.

HOME TOWN.

WITH ALL OF THE DRAGON TRIBE IN MY HOME TOWN.

I OFTEN USED TO EAT SUPPER LIKE THIS...

WHEN I WAS WITH MOTHER AND FATHER...

TELL US MORE OF THE STORY, ANGE.

SO WHAT HAPPENED TO THE PUPPY?

MY, SOMETHING LIKE THAT ACTUALLY TOOK PLACE TODAY, DID IT?

WHAT'S WRONG, ANGELIQUE?

ER..

I KNOW THE TWO OF YOU ARE...

WATCHING OVER ME FROM HEAVEN, EVEN NOW.

I JUST REMEMBERED I'D FORGOTTEN ABOUT ERVIN'S DINNER.

PLEASE EXCUSE ME. I'LL BE RIGHT BACK.

MOTHER, FATHER.

Clack

?

I'M NOT ALONE.

A FEW DAYS LATER.

ANGELIQUE.

YES!

A LETTER HAS ARRIVED FOR YOU.

MORNING, GENTLEMEN.

AS USUAL, SIGHTINGS ARE BEING REPORTED FROM EVERY PART OF THE LAND TODAY.

THE LOCATION IS H BUN FOREST, WHERE YOU VISITED THE OTHER DAY.

WILL YOU PLEASE COME WITH ME INTO THE FOREST TO HELP LOOK FOR..

GRAMPS' SHRINE!?

THE CL ENT APPEARS TO BE A YOUNG LADY.

YOU WERE THINKING OF THAT, NINA?

BUT YOU MUST NEVER GO INTO THAT ABOMINABLE FOREST.

SO IT WASN'T THAT NEW THANATOI HAD APPEARED, THEN.

OH!

THE 'QUEEN' REFERS TO THE SACRED BEING WHO CARES FOR AND ENVELOPES ALL LIVING THINGS...

WITH LOVE—

ABOMI-NABLE ...?

WHAT EXACTLY ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?

AN ELDERLY MAN USED TO SPOIL THIS DAUGHTER OF MINE BEFORE HE PASSED AWAY.

HE'D BUILT A SMALL SHRINE DEDICATED TO THE QUEEN AND PRAYED TO IT EVERY SINGLE DAY.

BUT EVEN A DEVOUT BELIEVER LIKE HIM WAS KILLED BY THE THANATOI.

HOW CAN YOU SAY THE "DIVINE PRO-TECTION OF THE QUEEN" EXISTS IN THIS WORLD—

STOP IT, MOMMY!

Slide

I BELIEVE AS WELL, NINA.

THAT'S TRUE

THE QUEEN DOES EXIST!

GRAMPS ALWAYS SAID SO!

WE'VE GOT IT.

WE'LL SEARCH IN THE FOREST FOR THE SHRINE WITH HER 'TIL SUNSET.

RAYNE-SAN, ANGELIQUE-SAN, AS YOU'VE SEEN, MY DAUGHTER WON'T LISTEN TO A THING I SAY.

BUT IF YOU ORB HUNTERS GO WITH HER... IT'LL BE ALL RIGHT, WON'T IT?

GOOD GRIEF SHE'S SUCH A STRONG-WILLED CHILD...

YOU OK WITH THAT, NINA?

clap

YEAH!!

Gulp

I WONDER HOW ANGELIQUE IS DOING RIGHT NOW.

THAT'S VERY TRUE.

HOW-EVER,

I LIKE HOW SHE ALWAYS TRIES HER BEST,

BUT SHE CAN OCCASIONALLY ACT A LITTLE RASHLY.

SO IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO GET INTO THE MANSION, THEN?

I'M GONNA TAIL THAT GIRL LATER. LEAVE IT TO ME.

IF WE LEAVE THEM TO THEIR OWN DEVICES, WE MAY NOT BE ABLE TO CALL THIS PLACE SAFE

LATELY, THERE HAVE BEEN PEOPLE SNIFFING ABOUT HIDAMARI VILLA.

FIRST, WE'LL RETURN TO HQ AND...

THE END

Smile

BUT YOU ARE PREPARED FOR WHAT MIGHT COME NEXT, ARE YOU NOT,

MY DEAR GUESTS.

PRACTICALLY FLAUNTING YOUR PRESENCE.

DID YOU THINK I WOULDN'T NOTICE?

Stomp Stomp

Stomp

EEEK!

THERE'S NO NEED TO GO AFTER THEM, HYLLGA.

NYX! HYUUGA!

HAS SOMETHING HAPPENED?

JUST SOME TRES-PASS-ERS.

BUT IT'S A PITY...

Sigh

WE CAN'T LEISURELY ENJOY OUR TEA NOW THAT THINGS HAVE COME TO THIS.

THEY WERE TALKING ABOUT TAILING 'THAT GIRL'...

I'M CON-CERNED ABOUT ANGEL-IQUE.

I WILL INFORM YOU OF THE SITUA-TION PRES-ENTLY.

WE MUST HEAD FOR HIBIN FOREST, AND SWIFTLY.

IT COULD BE COVERED WITH IVY AND GRASS AND STUFF ..

THIS SHRINE GRAMPS MADE ... WE REALLY CAN'T FIND IT, CAN WE?

THIS FOREST ... IT'S A LOT DEEPER AND DARKER THAN ITS LOOKS OUTSIDE.

Whisper

Whisper

OH, RAYNE.

YEAH. NOT TO MENTION WE'VE PASSED THROUGH THE SAME AREAS OVER AND OVER AGAIN.

COULD I HAVE A MOMENT ...?

THAT'S RIGHT. THIS IS A TRAP.

HOW COULD THAT...?

BDMP

BDMP

BDMP

THIS IS SERIOUS.

IF ANYTHING WERE TO HAPPEN TO NINA, HER MOTHER WOULD BE HEART-BROKEN.

THERE ARE STILL THANATOI INHABITING THIS FOREST.

RUMBLE

BY THE TIME WE REACH THE VILLAGE IT'LL BE DARK.

BESIDES, THINK ABOUT IT.

WAIT!

JUST A LITTLE LONGER, OK?

Grip

SHOULDN'T WE START HEADING HOME NOW?

YOU KNOW, NINA, WE'VE SEARCHED ENOUGH.

THINK ABOUT JUST HOW WORRIED YOUR MOTHER IS AT THE MOMENT, NINA.

Drip

Drop

Drip

BUT,

THE AMULET GRAMPS GAVE ME IS IN THE SHRINE.

AND THAT IF YOU WEAR IT, IT CAN PROTECT YOU FROM ALL THE SAD AND PAINFUL THINGS.

HE SAID THAT IF YOU OFFER UP THE AMULET TO THE QUEEN, A HOLY POWER WILL LIVE INSIDE IT.

I'M GOING TO GIVE THE AMULET TO MOMMY...

THAT'S WHY I CAN'T GO BACK YET!

HEY!

DON'T WANDER OFF, YOU TWO!

WAIT, NINA!!

AH

THIS MIST IS MOST LIKELY EMITTED BY THE THANATOI!

SMACK!

THAT'S NO GOOD, RAYNE.

IF YOU START PANICKING IN THIS SITUA-TION,

THAT MAKES IT GAME OVER, RIGHT?

I'VE REMEMBERED.

Rustle

Rustle

FLEURES, MY HOME TOWN.

HEY, NINA.

MY KIND MOTHER AND FATHER.

ANGE. WE'RE GOING TO BE TENDING TO THE BEDRID-DEN.

WHERE ARE YOU? ANSWER ME!

THERE MUST BE SOMETHING USEFUL WE CAN DO.

EVEN WITHOUT OUR TALENT TO PURIFY THE THANATOI, WE'RE DOCTORS.

YOU HIDE IN THE HOUSE AND BE A GOOD GIRL, ANGE.

THE TRUTH IS I WANTED TO CRY AND SCREAM AT THEM NOT TO GO.

YES.

DONG DONG

MO-THER

FA-THER

DONG DONG

ONE DAY YOUR LOVED ONES WILL SUDDENLY DISAPPEAR.

ANGELIQUE!

PUFF

NINA, THANK GOODNESS. NOW, LET'S GO BACK QUICKLY.

I DON'T WANT ANYBODY TO GO THROUGH SUCH A SAD EXPERIENCE.

LOOK. SEE, IT'S GRAMPS' AMULET!

WE'VE FOUND THE SHRINE!

A THANATOS!!

SEE—

GET DOWN!!

ZOOM

ZOOM

ZOOM

I'M SO SORRY, RAYNE!

NEVER MIND THAT. MORE IMPOR-TANTLY ...

HE'S HID HIMSELF IN THE FOG.

PAY ATTENTION TO YOUR SURROUND-INGS.

LOOKS LIKE I MADE IT IN TIME.

IT'S COMPLETELY WHITE, SO I CAN'T SEE A THING.

WHERE'S HE GOING TO APPEAR FROM?

ROOOOOOMMMM

MISS, BEHIND YOU!

CLEANSE—

IT'S NO GOOD! THE THANATOS IS TOO FAST!

BASH

ARE YOU ALL RIGHT, ANGEL-IQUE?

YES!

BUT WHY ARE YOU HERE, J.D.-SAN?

SWING

HAVING TO FIGHT AGAINST THANATOI... WAS OUTSIDE OF MY EXPECTATIONS.

HOWEVER, WE'VE HAPPILY ARRIVED IN THE NICK OF TIME.

Rustle

Rustle

CAAAW

Sacrifice

DESPI-CABLE...

ARE YOU TELLING ME IT'S STILL ATTEMPTING TO SUCK THE LIFE OUT OF EVERY-THING?

ANGELIQUE, PLEASE DELIVER THE FINAL BLOW WITH YOUR POWER.

YOU SHOULD BE ABLE TO PURIFY IT SOON.

YES...!

O CLEANSING POWER...

...FILL THE WORLD WITH KINDNESS.

OOOOOOO

OUT OF ALL THE FLOWERS THAT THANATOS KILLED...

AH! MISS, LOOK AT THIS!

Glow

THE ONES NEAR THE AMULET ARE GOING BACK TO NORMAL!

IT'S GOT A TINY BIT OF THE QUEEN'S POWER LIVING INSIDE IT!

THEY REALLY ARE...!

Lean
AN OLD GUY WHO MADE A SHRINE DEDICATED TO THE QUEEN, HUH?
IS THIS REALLY AN ARTEFACT, AN INHERITANCE FROM ANCIENT TIMES, OR...?

I HAVEN'T ...

LOST HOPE.

NO MORE ASSAILANTS, FROM THE LOOKS OF THINGS.

RAP

I'M NOT ALONE.

NOW THEN,

LET'S GO, ANGELIQUE

I HAVE FOUR WONDERFUL FRIENDS

IF I LOOK BY MY SIDE,

LET'S RETURN TO HIDAMARI VILLA.

OKAY!

SO INVESTIGATE- BUT THEN AGAIN THE MANSION FAILED

HOWEVER, THAT GIRL, ANGELIQUE

...SHE MAY BE AN EVEN MORE IMPORTANT PERSON THAN WE HAD PREVIOUSLY IMAGINED.

I OUGHT TO INFORM THE DIRECTOR PROMPTLY

END

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episode 2

STARE-

LUNCH...

BUT...

LUNCH.

WE CAN POSTPONE LUNCH AND TAKE OUR TIME LOOKING AROUND THE BOOKS NOW

UM, RAYNE? IF THEY'RE THAT INTERESTING...

MEOW

REALLY? THANKS!

TURN

episode 2

The Star-Ship, Salvage

RAYNE,

YOU REALLY DO LOVE BOOKS, DON'T YOU?

DO YOU SLEEP USING A BOOK FOR A PILLOW, PERHAPS?

HEY!

DON'T SAY THAT SO SERIOUSLY.

JUST WHAT DO YOU TAKE ME FOR?

smile

ARTEFACT?

WELL, IT'S MORE LIKE THE MOST INTERESTING THINGS ARE ARTEFACT-RELATED, Y'KNOW.

I'LL LEND YOU THIS JOURNAL I JUST BOUGHT.

Thwack

KYA!

OWW ...

AN INVESTIGATORY JOURNAL ON ARTEFACTS?

THEY'RE CONTRAPTIONS CREATED USING ANCIENT ENGINEERING THAT NO LONGER EXISTS.

HMM...

A TREASURE TROVE OF DREAMS AND ASPIRATIONS

ARTEFACTS ARE A TREASURE TROVE PACKED FULL OF MANKIND'S DREAMS AND ASPIRATIONS.

IT LOOKS FASCI-NATING!

Blab

Blab

IT'S A SECOND-HAND BOOK, AFTER ALL. THAT KIND OF DEFACEMENT HAPPENS.

IT'S GOT THEIR SEAL IMPRINTED ON IT.

THE ARTEFACT FOUNDA-TION?

ANTIQUE

WE MUST NEVER DEPEND UPON THE FOUNDA-TION!

BY PURSUING AN EXCESS OF MATERIALISM, WE'LL ONLY LOSE SIGHT OF THE TRUTH.

THERE IS A SINGLE INDIVIDUAL ABLE TO TRULY SAVE THIS WORLD FROM THE TERROR OF THE THANATOI.

NO ONE EXCEPT THE "QUEEN EGG" ALONE, WHO WILL BECOME HER MAJESTY, THE QUEEN.

AND THEY EVEN HAD THIS BACK THEN!

AN ARTEFACT WHICH WATERED THE FIELDS AUTOMATICALLY!

THE QUEEN WILL INVARIABLY APPEAR—

WHAT A LOVELY ITEM.

SHOULD THE PEOPLES' SOURCE OF REVENUE IMPROVE, THEY WILL BE ABLE TO SPEND MORE TIME AMUSING THEMSELVES.

HA HA HA

A RESPITE IS NECESSARY, AFTER ALL.

YES!

COULD YOU PLEASE PLAY YOUR NEXT CARD PROMPTLY?

WHATEVER IS THE MATTER, RAYNE-KUN?

WHAT KIND OF TRICK IS THIS?

PARDON?

BUZZ

IT'S ALMOST AS IF YOU'RE INTENDING TO USE ME AS THE TARGET, WHEN YOU SAY IT WITH SUCH VIGOUR.

My, my

18 LOSSES IN A ROW AT CARDS.

WHAT DO YOU SAY TO A GAME OF DARTS NEXT?

Kyaa

STOP THIS!

IT'S LOUD IN HERE...

IT'LL BE ALL RIGHT. IT HAPPENS ALL THE TIME, SO DON'T WORRY.

EEP!

I'VE PREPARED SOMETHING TO ACCOMPANY THE TEA.

THEY'RE A TYPE OF BISCUIT FROM MY HOME TOWN, KNOWN AS A "RICE CRACKER".

...HOWEVER.

TWIT

WE'RE SORRY! WE'LL EAT THEM QUIETLY!

THIS DOESN'T SEEM AN OPPORTUNE MOMENT TO SAMPLE THEM.

WAIT, HYUUGA!

NOW THEN, I THINK IT'S ABOUT TIME WE BROACHED THE MAIN SUBJECT.

WHAT'S HAPPENED THAT MAKES YOU SPEAK SO FORMALLY?

DID YOU SAY THE FOUNDA-TION?

IT'S RARE OF YOU TO SAY THAT.

A SPECIAL COMMISSION!

INDEED. IT'S A REQUEST FROM THE ARTEFACT FOUNDA-TION THIS TIME.

—WOULDN'T BE FAR OFF THE MARK, I SUPPOSE.

WE MUST NEVER DEPEND UPON THE FOUNDATION!

NOW THAT I THINK OF IT, IN THE SQUARE TODAY..

NYX-SAN. COULD YOU PLEASE DESCRIBE FOR ME...

...WHAT KIND OF PEOPLE THE FOUNDATION ARE?

VERY WELL

THE ARTEFACT FOUNDATION IS AN ESTABLISHMENT THAT EXCAVATES AND UTILISES THE HERITAGES OF THE ANCIENT PAST.

THEY-BELIEVE-IN FASHIONING WORLD PEACE THROUGH THE TECHNOLOGY OF THESE ARTEFACTS.

THERE IS ONE OTHER LARGE ORGANISATION IN OPPOSITION.

THE CAELESTIA RELI-
GIOUS ORGANISA-
TION. THEY DESIRE
HARMONY RESULTING
FROM THE ADVENT
OF THE QUEEN, THE
BEING WHO
PROTECTS THIS
UNIVERSE

THE KNIGHTS OF
THE SILVER-TREE
COMPANY ARE A
SUBDIVISION OF
THIS, AND THEY
TRAVERSE ARCADIA
ANNIHILATING
THANATOI

IN OTHER
WORDS, YOU
COULD SAY IT IS
ATYPICAL FOR
US HUNTERS
TO RECEIVE
ASSIGNMENTS.

BOTH ARE
EXCEEDINGLY
PROUD OF
THE R
STRENGTH.

THERE'S NEVER BEEN A FEMALE WHO HAD THE ABILITY TO PURIFY BEFORE.

WE SEEM TO HAVE BECOME QUITE FAMOUS, HAVEN'T WE?

J.D.

I CAN'T THINK THAT'S ALL THERE IS TO THE STORY.

THAT'S WHY THOSE GUYS AT THE FOUNDATION HAVE GOT THEIR EYE ON YOU.

THERE'S A CATCH TO THIS ASSIGN-MENT.

ANGEL-IQUE.

RAYNE?

YOU SHOULD TAKE CARE.

ANYWAY, I'M PULLING OUT OF THIS ONE.

I WONDER WHAT'S WRONG.

RAYNE-KUN HAS A POINT IN WHAT HE'S SAYING.

ANGEL-IQUE.

IT'S THE FIRST TIME HE'S GOTTEN ANGRY LIKE THAT.

THE FOUNDATION MOST LIKELY ALSO DESIRES YOU.

YOUR PURIFYING TALENT IS PURE AND BEAUTIFUL IN EVERY RESPECT...

THE FIRST TIME I HEARD OF YOU, MY HEART WAS RACING, SAYING...

THE BUSINESS CAPITAL, FARIAN

SO THIS IS THE STAR-SHIP!

"COME WHAT MAY, YOU MUST MAKE HER A COMRADE."

THE GIRL OF MIRACLES,

WHO AWAKENS THOSE MADE COMATOSE BY THANATOS!

ARE YOU ALL RIGHT!?

KYAA!

Bump

WALK AROUND AND LOOK AT THE WHOLE THING PROPERLY!

IT'S AS BIG AS THE RUMOURS SAY.

THAT WON'T DO. YOU'VE INJURED YOUR KNEE.

Bdmp

Lift

LET ME JUST TAKE HER TO A SAFE AREA. COULD YOU WAIT A WHILE?

SURE!

slip

I'VE BEEN SENT FROM THE ARTEFACT FOUNDA-TION.

YOU'RE ANGELIQUE-SAN!?!

Y...

YES...?

!

AN ADMI-RABLE REPLY, ANGE.IQUE.

YORGO ...

THE DIRECTOR IS AWAITING YOUR ARRIVAL!

I'VE BEEN LOOKING FOR YOU!

I UNDER-STAND, DIRECTOR.

I LEAVE THE MATTER IN YOUR HANDS, GARNET.

YORGO-SAMA, I'VE BROUGHT THE ORB HUNTERS.

I'M J.D.

THIS IS ANGE-IQUE.

I AM YORGO, THE DIRECTOR OF THE FOUN-DATION.

YORGO . HE SEEMS TO BE A RATHER HOSTILE PERSON

YOUR COM-MISSION OVERSEER

SO YOU ARE THE WIDELY RUMOURED THANATOS ERADICATORS.

BUT HE SEEMS A LITTLE SIMILAR TO A CERTAIN SOMEBODY...

THAT IS THE "STAR-SHIP" IN OUR POSSESSION.

THE SAYING GOES IT WAS A VESSEL ABLE TO TRAVEL THE HEAVENS, THAT IS TO SAY, THE STARS.

WELL, THERE'S NO NEED TO UNDERSTAND.

ALL YOU NEED TO DO IS DEFEAT THE THANATOS INSIDE.

HMMM... NOW THAT'S CURIOUS.

Jolt

ALTHOUGH THAT LARGE STAR-SHIP IS ABLE TO MOVE, IT CAN'T DEFEAT THANATOS?

ONE LITTLE THANATOS...!

DON'T UNDERESTIMATE THE TECHNOLOGICAL STRENGTH OF THE FOUNDATION!

Hmph

AN ASSIGNMENT IS AN ASSIGNMENT.

—MORE IMPORTANTLY, IT HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH YOU!

LET'S GO, J.D -SAN.

WHAT ARE YOU INTEND-ING TO DO TO THEM?

ANSWER ME, YORGO.

IT'S BEEN SO LONG, RAYNE.

ANSWER ME. WHAT ARE YOU SCHEMING?

I HAVE NO OBLIGATION TO TELL A DESERTER OF THE FOUNDATION.

I DON'T WANT TO BE TOLD THAT BY A PERSON WHO MAKES HIS SUBORDINATES INTO MOCK SPIES.

EAVESDROPPING IS POOR TASTE.

YOU HAVEN'T CHANGED AT ALL.

THOUGH YOU WERE STRANGELY LUCKY AND QUICK-WITTED, YOU LACKED THE HARDINESS TO CAPITALISE ON THOSE TALENTS.

THAT GIRL IS A PRECIOUS RESEARCH SUBJECT

IF YOU RETURN TO THE FOUNDATION WITH HER IN TOW, I CAN MAKE A POSITION FOR YOU.

flack

flack

RESEARCH SUBJECT...

I DON'T THINK OF HER LIKE THAT AT ALL—

TO HELL WITH YOU!

YUP.

THIS STAR-SHIP IS JUST FULL OF ODD BITS AND PIECES.

WITH A WELL BALANCED DESIGN, TOO.

SO THIS IS WHAT THEY MEANT BY MUSTN'T TAKE YOUR EYE OFF HER...

THANK YOU, J.D.-SA—

phew

CLICK

CLICK

Tinkle

Blast

Zing

KYAA!

—N.

ANGELIQUE.

YOU ALSO HAVE A MYSTERIOUSNESS ABOUT YOU THAT CAPTIVATES ME.

HE'S SO CLOSE!

Quickly now!

J.D.-SAN! WHAT DO YOU THINK OF THIS CUP!?

THAT STARTLED ME..

J D-SAN ISN'T SOMEONE WHO TAKES MUCH NOTICE OF PERSONAL SPACE, AFTER ALL.

YUP. IT'S PRETTY.

Beam

THEY USED CUPS WITH SUCH A NICE DESIGN SENSE, THEN.

GEEZ, COULD YOU HURRY UP AND DEFEAT THAT THANATOS!?

OTHERWISE, IT'LL BE A COMPLETE WASTE OF THE MEMORY.

I'M RECORDING ALL THIS USELESS STUFF..

THIS IS THE PILOT ROOM!

...WHEN IT WAS FLYING AROUND THAT WORLD FULL OF STARS.

I WONDER WHAT KIND OF LIFE THE PEOPLE IN THIS SHIP HAD..

THERE'S NEVER BEEN A FEMALE WHO HAD THE ABILITY TO PURIFY BEFORE.

AND YET...

ARTEFACTS. A TREASURE TROVE OF DREAMS AND ASPIRATIONS.

AND THE FOUN-DATION, WHICH RESEARCHES THE USEFUL YET MYSTERI-OUS IMPLE-MENTS OF THE ANCIENT PAST

THAT'S WHY THOSE GUYS AT THE FOUNDA-TION HAVE GOT THEIR EYE ON YOU.

ANGEL-IQUE.

BE CAREFUL.

IF MY ABILITY COULD BE EVEN THE SLIGHTEST BIT HELPFUL,

I WOULDN'T MIND COOP-ERATING A LITTLE.

GIVE YOUR UNDIVIDED ATTENTION TO PURIFYING IT.

I UNDER-STAND.

Whsshh

OOOO

IT SEEMS ..

THE THANATOS HAS COME OUT.

WHOOPS.

WHAT?

Chirp

BUMP

THAT WAS CLOSE ...

ANGELIQUE! NOW'S THE TIME! PURIFY IT!

Heave

RIGHT!

I HAVE TO THANK THE TWO OF YOU FOR YOUR PAINS.

O CLEANSING POWER,

FILL THE WORLD WITH KINDNESS!

SO THE ORB HUNTERS ARE ALL VOLUNTEERS. THAT'S SOME DEDICATION YOU HAVE.

WE ACTUALLY MAKE A POINT OF NOT ACCEPTING PAYMENT.

AN HONORARIUM WILL BE OFFERED.

YOU MAY COLLECT IT AT HEADQUARTERS.

I THINK I GRASP NOW WHY RAYNE PUTS FORTH SO MUCH EFFORT.

ARE YOU ACQUAINTED WITH RAYNE?

NATURALLY.

HE'S MY YOUNGER BROTHER.

SUCH A FOOLISH MAN.

BUT ONE DAY, HE SUDDENLY LEFT THE FOUNDATION...

HE WAS ALSO AN EXCELLENT RESEARCHER.

HE MUST HAVE HAD A GOOD MOTIVE FOR LEAVING.

RAYNE IS NOT A FOOL.

Hmph

...I KNOW ALL THAT,

BUT STILL!

THAT'S THE SPIRIT.

WELL, WE WERE ABLE TO SEE THE INSIDE OF THE STAR-SHIP, SO I'LL JUST THINK OF IT AS A WORTH-WHILE TRIP.

I DON'T PARTICULARLY WANT TO HEAR ANY OF HIS EXCUSES.

!?

Pat

COULD YOU LET ME HEAR THAT STORY IN MORE DETAIL?

Clap!

AS YOU CAN SEE, I'M A NEWSPAPER JOURNALIST.

MY NAME IS BERNARD.

THAT WAS RUDE OF ME.

HMM?

I'VE SEEN THIS PERSON BEFORE SOME-WHERE.

I'D LIKE TO GET CLOSER TO THE RUMOURED ORB HUNTERS.

THERE YOU ARE, BERNARD-SAN!

I COULD LET YOU IN ON SOME EXCLUSIVE INFORMA-TION.

HMM.. WHO MIGHT YOU BE?

YOU SHOULD STEER CLEAR OF THE FOUNDATION, LITTLE MISS.

LET'S MEET AGAIN SOON!

Zoom

A WITNESS OF THE INCIDENT HAS COME FORWARD!

IF IT'S ADDED TO THE ARTICLE, IT'LL BE A MASSIVE SCOOP!

Scoop

YUP. SEE YOU SOON.

PERHAPS IT WAS JUST MY IMAGINA-TION.

RAYNE!

YOU CAME!

IT'S JUST LIKE THAT FISHY JOURNALIST SAYS.

IT WASN'T LIKE I WAS FOLLOWING YOU OR ANYTHING.

I CAME HERE ON A DIFFERENT ASSIGNMENT, SO I THOUGHT I'D TAKE A LOOK AT THE STAR-SHIP.

LOOK, RAYNE...

I'VE HEARD A LOT OF THINGS. LIKE YOU USED TO BE IN THE FOUNDATION...

THE TRUTH IS YOU WERE CURIOUS ABOUT YORGO-SAN, WEREN'T YOU?

THAT'S A FIB.

...THEN A CONTRAPTION ABLE TO PURIFY THANATOI COULD BE MADE, THAT EVERYONE CAN OPERATE.

IF WE COMBINE THE GOOD ASPECTS OF THE ARTE-FACTS AND US PURIFIERS...

RAYNE,

YOUR BROTHER IS A DIFFICULT PERSON, BUT I'M SURE A COMPRO-MISE...

NO.

GLOWER

ANGELIQUE, DO YOU UNDERSTAND THE TRUE WEIGHT...

...OF WHAT YOU'RE SAYING?

THIS ISN'T SUCH A STRAIGHTFOR-WARD PROBLEM.

ANGELIQUE! RAYNE! SORRY TO HAVE KEPT YOU WAITING.

LET'S HURRY BACK TO HIDAMARI VILLA.

W—

WHAT DO YOU MEAN?

THERE'S NO NEED FOR YOU TO KNOW.

EH...

FAIR ENOUGH.

RAYNE..

I WONDER WHEN THE TIME WILL COME WHEN YOU'LL TELL US FREELY.

AH.

YEAH...

ANGEL-IQUE

Sigh

I'VE TAKEN A LIKING TO MY CURRENT LIFESTYLE.

SO WHY DON'T WE KEEP IT THE SAME?

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ネオ アンジェリーク

THIS DATA WAS RECORDED BY A TRUSTWORTHY SUBORDINATE OF MINE THE OTHER DAY.

TODAY WE'LL BE PLAYING BACK SOME FOOTAGE OF EXTREME IMPORTANCE.

ピコン

THIS GIRL IS A HITHERTO UNSEEN EXAMPLE OF A FEMALE PURIFIER.

HER ABILITY IS ABLE TO COMPLETELY CLEANSE THANATOI. I...

HYPOTHESISE THIS IS LINKED WITH THE QUEEN OF LEGEND.

Mucmuc

FIRST WE'LL ANALYSE ...

ANGELIQUE'S ABILITY, AND WHEN WE UNCOVER ITS TRUE NATURE ...

THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE ANTI-THANATOS WEAPON WILL REALLY MOVE FORWARD!

I'LL ENTRUST IT TO YOU, GARNET.

DIRECTOR, SHOULD I CONTINUE INVESTI-GATING...?

Chatter

Chatter

...THAT YOU, THE FOUNDA-TION DIRECTOR, ACTUALLY BEL EVE SUCH FAIRY TALES?

Y...

YORGO-SAMA. YOU DON'T MEAN TO IMPLY...

Shine

DON'T BE SO HASTY.

LEGENDS ARE NOTHING MORE THAN A DISTORTED FACET OF THE TRUTH.

HOWEVER, THE THANATOS ON THE STAR-SHIP WAS COM-PLETELY PURIFIED

THANATOS DEFEATED BY THE KNIGHTS OF THE SILVER-TREE EVENTUALLY REVIVE.

PLAY

Grip

THE VERY KNOWLEDGE AND SCIENCE OUR FOUNDATION GENERATES!

IT IS MANKIND'S KNOWLEDGE THAT SHALL SAVE ARCADIA.

NYX-SAN!

WHAT HAVE YOU BEEN DOING HERE?

I came running over in spite of myself

I WAS SOWING SEEDS IN THE FLOWER-BEDS.

YOU MEAN, THESE ARE AL... FLOWER-BEDS?

YES.

MY, ANGE...-IQUE.

IT'S CERTAINLY VERY EARLY IN THE MORNING.

Ah!

I'M SORRY!

THEY MUST HAVE BEEN TENDED TO APPALLINGLY.

THE FLOWERS CONSTANTLY WILT BEFORE THEY BLOOM.

Ha ha

ALTHOUGH, AS YOU CAN SEE, FLOWERBEDS IN NAME ONLY.

HONESTY IS PART OF YOUR CHARM, AFTER ALL.

IT'S QUITE ALL RIGHT.

I'VE WANTED A LARGE EXPANSE OF PLANTS TO FILL THE VICINITY, BUT AS YOU SEE...

REGARDLESS OF HOWEVER MANY SMALL LIVES I'VE TAKEN AWAY WITH THESE HANDS OF MINE. .

You can consider it an apology

Slide

Slide

THEN WOULD YOU LET ME HELP YOU LOOK AFTER THE FLOWERS?

THE GENTLE NYX SAN.

LOVE...?

YOU LOVE FLOWERS, DON'T YOU, NYX-SAN?

THOUGH I MIGHT NOT LOOK IT, I'M QUITE GOOD AT RAISING PLANTS.

AH...

I CAN ONLY HOPE I'M OF SOME USE.

I'D SAY I MORE .. ADMIRE FLOWERS THAN ANYTHING ELSE

MY APOLOGIES FOR INTERRUPTING.

WELL, NOW THIS APPEARS TO BE...

WAIT A MOMENT, HYUUGA-SAN.

WHY DON'T YOU HAVE A DRINK WITH US DURING YOUR BREAK?

I WAS TRAINING IN THE GROUNDS,

BUT A MESSENGER PASSED ME A LETTER, AND I HURRIED HERE TO INFORM YOU.

INCIDENTALLY, HYUUGA ...

RAYNE-KUN AND J.D...

MUST BE AWAY ON BUSINESS TODAY.

AH. THE PRAYER SAID UPON DINING.

YOU TRULY ARE A PIOUS FOLLOWER, HYUUGA.

THAT'S RIGHT.

HYUUGA-SAN WAS ONCE PART OF THE KNIGHTS OF THE SILVER-TREE COMPANY...

I GIVE THANKS ...

TO HER MAJESTY, THE QUEEN, FOR OUR DAILY PROVISIONS.

I MAY HAVE LEFT THE KNIGHTS' COMPANY,

BUT I HAVE NOT FORGOTTEN THE KNIGHTS' OATH.

THERE'S SOMEWHAT OF A CLAMOUR OUTSIDE.

knock knock

WELL, IF IT ISN'T BERNARD.

I'M GLAD I MADE LOTS OF TEA.

SO YOU'RE ACQUAINTED?

AS I MENTIONED, I'VE COME TO SEE YOU ONCE AGAIN.

GOOD DAY TO YOU, LITTLE MISS CHARMING.

YES, I'M COMING.

Tap Tap Tap

THIS IS INFORMATION WHICH ONLY RECENTLY REACHED MY EARS.

IT SEEMS THE FOUNDATION IS CONCENTRATING THEIR ATTENTION ON THE ORB HUNTERS.

IT'S ALL SO THEY CAN MAKE A WEAPON CAPABLE OF DEFEATING THE THANATOI.

SO THEY COULD GATHER DATA ON US.

IN THAT CASE, THEY CALLED US TO THE STAR-SHIP OF...

THEY WERE USING US IN THEIR EXPERIMENT!?

HOW COULD THEY...! WITHOUT A WORD...

THERE'VE BEEN MOVEMENTS TAKEN TO ANALYSE YOUR PURIFYING ABILITY, LITTLE MISS.

YOU, IN PARTICULAR.

EVEN THOUGH I WOULD HAVE HELPED THEM IF THEY ASKED.

ARE THEY SUGGESTING WE HAVE NO SAY IN THE MATTER?

BEHAVIOUR FITTING OF THE FOUNDATION.

HYUUGA-SAN...

DID YOU JUST SAY "ANGEL-IQUE"?

THERE'S NO NEED TO DWELL ON IT.

MERELY STAND TALL AND PROUD, ANGE-LIQUE.

NYX. LET'S EXCHANGE INFORMA-TION.

I WANT TO GIVE EVERYONE HOPE BY PUTTING THE ORB HUNTERS IN A NEWSPAPER ARTICLE DE-SCRIBING YOU ...

IN YOUR THANKLESS FIGHT AGAINST THE THANATOI.

WHAT'S WRONG?

AH.

NO... IT'S NOTHING.

THAT IS MY DUTY AS A JOURNALIST...

THIS WAS ADDRESSED TO YOU.

THE REST...

ALL I CAN DO IS CLEANSE THE THANATOI...

DUTY.

ANGELIQUE. THERE'S BEEN A LITTLE MAGIC CAST ON IT WHICH WILL BRING A SMILE TO YOUR FACE.

A LETTER ARRIVED FOR ME!

HANNAH AND SALLY FROM THE MELROSE ACADEMY FOR GIRLS!

HANNAH SALLY

THE SENDER IS. .

Glow

THESE TWO ARE MY DEAREST FRIENDS!

THEY'VE REALLY CHEERED ME UP!!

Flash

Ehe he

THEIR MAGIC CERTAINLY WORKED EXCEPTIONALLY WELL.

YOU MEAN THIS?

IT'S HARDLY ANYTHING.

IT—

IT LOOKS ALMOST MAGICAL!

Kind of!

THAT ENVELOPE ADDRESSED TO YOU, NYX-SAN, LOOKS SPECTACULAR AS WELL.

IT IS AN INVITATION TO A BALLROOM DANCE PARTY.

I BELIEVE THE SENDER IS THE SAME CLIENT, WHARDON, HERE.

NYX-SAN?

WELL, IN COMPARISON WITH YOUR LETTER, THAT IS... YOU SEE?

Fidget Fidget

A DANCE PARTY? HOW WONDERFUL!

THIS COULD BE FATED BY THE GODS, PERCHANCE.

LIVELY SETTINGS ARE NOT PARTICU-LARLY TO MY LIKING...

ERVIN, YOU CAME WITH US TODAY AS WELL?

MEOW.

MIAOW

MIND YOU BE A GOOD BOY AND STAY PUT.

NIAOOW.

WOULD YOU BE SO KIND AS TO CONSENT TO MY ESCORTING MILADY, ERVIN-KUN?

!?

HOWEVER, IF I'M TO BE ACCOMPANYING AS EXQUISITE A FLOWER AS YOURSELF,

I WOULD NOT OBJECT IN THE LEAST.

A FEW DAYS LATER

THE CAPITAL CITY WHARDON, BEFORE THE BALLROOM HALLS

WHAT'S THE MATTER, ANGEL-IQUE...?

FEEL SLIGHTLY OUT OF PLACE...

I...

NO, IT'S NOTHING AT ALL.

OH.

PLEASE HOLD YOUR HEAD HIGH, ANGEL-IQUE.

TO ME, YOU LOOK MORE RADIANT THAN ANY OTHER LADY.

Blush

NOW.. DON'T BE AFRAID.

I HAVE READIED A SPECIAL CHARM..

THAT WILL RELIEVE YOU OF YOUR APPREHEN-SIONS.

IT'S BEAUTI-FUL...!

SALLY AND I CHOSE IT TOGETHER.

CAN I REALLY TAKE THIS?

YOUR HAIR ORNAMENT MATCHES SO WELL, TOO.

BOTH THE COLOUR AND THE SIZE ARE PERFECT!

THIS WAS A PRESENT FROM MY FRIENDS'

YOU'LL BE GOING TO PARTIES, RIGHT?

DOES HE LOOK AND SOUND LIKE A GOOD MAN!

BASORA Rumble

THE JOB MIGHT BE IMPORTANT TOO, BUT OCCASIONALLY YOU SHOULD

BUT ISN'T IT GREAT HE'S SUCH A LOOKER?

I'VE HEARD NYX-SAMA RESEMBLES HIS GRANDFATHER EXACTLY

WHICH REMINDS ME, NYX-SAMA'S GRANDFATHER AND MY GRANDFATHER...

WE'RE FRIENDS IN THEIR TWILTH GENERATION.

Glance

Glance

OH, THAT SALLY...

Now then

I'VE GOT TO FIND NYX-SAN QUICKLY.

Hmph

WHERE ON EARTH...

THERE ARE EVEN KNIGHTS OF THE SILVER-TREE HERE!

COULD NYX-SAN BE?

STORIES ABOUT YOUR ERADICATING THE THANATOI ...

AND YOUR CHARITY TOWARDS THE INJURED REACH MY EARS EVERY DAY.

Ha ha ha

I FOUND HIM!

Ha ha ha

WHAT ARE YOU SAYING! WERE IT NOT FOR YOUR AID WHEN THE VILLAGES' HARVESTS WERE AT THEIR LOWEST BECAUSE OF THE THANATOI,

WHO KNOWS WHAT MAY HAVE HAPPENED, MR NYX...

I'VE BEEN WAITING FOR SUCH A LONG TIME, WONDERING WHEN I WOULD MEET YOU.

IT CANNOT BE HELPED, MICHELLE.

NYX-SAMA IS ON AN ACADEMIC BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND IS KEPT EXTREMELY BUSY WITH HIS ORB HUNTER VOLUNTEER WORK.

Erm

SOMEHOW, IT FEELS DIFFICULT TO CALL OUT TO HIM..

IN ACTUALTY, I'VE NOT DONE VERY MUCH.

AGAIN WITH THE MODESTY.

NYX-SAN IS...

Ha ha ha

FEELING TROUBLED?

EXCEPT THERE IS NO MERIT WHATSOEVER IN PRAISING ME.

YOU ARE MOST SKILLED AT SPEAKING OVERLY WELL OF ME

A PERSON SUCH AS MYSELF, OF SUCH HUMBLE CALIBRE, COULD NOT HOPE TO EMULATE SUCH BEHAVIOUR...

AT ANY RATE, UNDERTAKING SO MANY ACTIVITIES CANNOT BE THOUGHT ORDINARY.

SORRY TO HAVE KEPT YOU!

Hey.

AAH!

OH,

DON'T BE SO CONCERNED OVER IT

Help yourself

I MUST APOLOGISE FOR LEAVING YOU ALONE.

I'M AN OLD ACQUAIN-TANCE OF YOUR GRAND-FATHER'S, NYX-KLN.

MY NAME IS ALGUSTE

IT'S LIKE TIME HAS GONE BACK.. TWO PEAS IN A POD..

Quiver

IT BRINGS BACK THE MEMORY OF THE SOUND OF MY FRIEND PLAYING THE PIANO FIFTY YEARS AGO.

BUT, TRULY, WHEN I LOOK AT YOU..

THE DOCTORS HAVE FROWNED AT ME FOR IT, BUT I'M GLAD I CAME TODAY.

WHY DID YOU START THE ORB HUNTERS, NYX-SAN?

IT WAS BECAUSE OF NOBLESSE OBLIGE,

ANGE-LIQUE.

NOBLESSE OBLIGE?

I'M SURE MY LATE GRANDFA-THER WOULD BE DELIGHTED TO HEAR IT.

MONSIEUR.

TAKE BERNARD, FOR INSTANCE.

WRITING ARTICLES TO THE BEST OF HIS ABILITY FALLS WITHIN THIS.

HOWEVER, I THINK OF IT AS THIS.

PEOPLE INTERPRET THE MEANING IN THE R OWN WAY.

HAVE A DUTY TO USE IT.

THOSE WHO HAVE THE POWER TO ACT...

QUITE POSSIBLY.

MY OWN NOBLESSE OBLIGE WOULD BE ...

TO PURIFY THE THANATOS AND SAVE AS MANY PEOPLE AS POSSIBLE... PERHAPS.

HOWEVER, FOR NOW...

WOULD YOU GIVE ME THE HONOUR OF A DANCE, MADEMOISELLE?

YOU HAVE THE TALENT OF BRINGING HAPPINESS TO OTHER PEOPLE

REALLY

DON'T TEASE ME ANY FURTHER!

NYX-SAN IS ..

A KIND ADULT WHO KNOWS A WORLD I DON'T.

TEASE YOU?

I INTEND TO BE EARNEST AT ALL TIMES.

BUT... WHY IS IT?

HOW BEAUTI-FUL...

WHY IS IT YOU GAZE AT ME WITH EYES THAT SEEM TO LOOK FAR INTO THE DISTANCE ...?

Multi Scream

UP THERE, A THANATOS!

TWO PEOPLE HAVE BEEN ATTACKED! WE MUST FLEE NOW OR WE'LL BE NEXT...!

Waaah!

NYX-SAN!! LET'S ALSO ...

COMPOSE YOUR-SELVES, EVERYONE.

INDEED.

WHY DON'T WE?

WE SHALL LURE THEM OUTSIDE.

SHALL WE DANCE

THE WALTZ KNOWN AS COMBAT?

THE THANATOS IS BECOMING WEAKER

NOW I CAN PURIFY IT!

Thwack

ARE YOU ALL RIGHT, AUGUSTE-SAN!

Wheeze Wheeze

PLEASE PULL TOGETHER YOURSELF!

WHEN WE LEAVE HERE, I CAN CALL FOR A DOCTOR.

CAN YOU WALK?!

Huff

AUGUSTE ...!

I WON'T LET YOU DO AS YOU PLEASE

!HI HI? HE CALLED HIM SO INFORMALLY JUST NOW.

ROAR

I CAN AT LEAST TAKE CARE OF THE EMERGENCY TREATMENT BEFORE THE DOCTOR ARRIVES.

I AM THE DAUGHTER OF A DOCTOR, AFTER ALL.

ALGUSTE-SAN, CAN YOU HEAR ME?

IF YOU CAN, PLEASE COUGH TWICE! NOW, COULD YOU .

Cough Cough

ANGEL-IQUE,

WHAT ARE YOU!..

COULD WE LEAVE THIS LADY IN YOUR CARE, MISS ORB HUNTER?

I'M TRULY GLAD I HAVE THIS PURIFY-ING ABILITY.

ANGE-
IQUE...

A THANATOS SHOWED UP AT THE BAL-ROOM PARTY?

SHE'S JUST LIKE...

HER MAJESTY, THE QUEEN FROM THE LEGENDS.

THAT'S ALL RIGHT, THEN.

IT MUST HAVE LOOKED LOVELY ON YOU.

BUT I WOULD'VE LIKED TO HAVE SEEN YOU IN YOUR BALLGOWN, ANGELIQUE

SO THEY'VE STARTED APPEARING THERE AS WELL.

ARE YOU OK, ANGEL-IQUE?

I'M FINE, THANKS.

THOUGH IT'S STILL UNCLEAR AS TO HOW THE DANCE WITH NYX WENT.

I'D LIKE TO TRY DANCING WITH YOU, ANGELIQUE.

Gla.

Come on, smile.

What's got you so down, Rayne?

Hmph.

I FOUND THIS IN THE DANCE HALL.

I DROPPED IT WHEN I WAS FIGHTING THE THANATOS!

DID SOMEONE CALL MY NAME?

YOU FOUND IT FOR ME!

THANK YOU SO MUCH.

Brush

"I SHOULD BE THE ONE SAYING THANK YOU...!"

creak

...IN TRUTH, FLOWERS ...

SUIT YOU EXCEP-TIONALLY WELL.

I'M GOING TO GET SOME FRESH AIR, ERVIN.

ANGEL-IQUE.

I CAN'T REALLY SLEEP.

SO MUCH HAPPENED THAT I CAN'T RELAX

THE SOUND OF A PIANO

FROM NYX-SAN'S QUARTERS?

WHICH REMINDS ME: WHY DID NYX-SAN

CALL AUGUSTE-SAN'S NAME INFORMALLY WHEN HE COLLAPSED?

THE KNIGHTS OF THE SILVER-TREE WERE SAYING SOMETHING ABOUT THE QUEEN.

BUT I CAN'T IMAGINE THAT HAS ANYTHING TO DO WITH ME

OH

HYUUGA-SAN...

IT WAS A SWORD DANCE.
IT WAS SO FASCINATING TO SEE!

WERE YOU TRAINING JUST NOW, HYUUGA-SAN?

Ah
I'M SORRY. I COULDN'T SLEEP.
Rustle

OH, IT'S YOU, ANGELIQUE. WHAT IS IT?

IT WAS SHARP,

BUT EXPRES-SIVE.

...IF YOU SAY SUCH A THING,

THEN IT MAY CONTAIN THOSE ELEMENTS AS WELL.

AS IF NOBODY BAD COULD GET NEAR!

!

...MAY I ASK YOU SOME-THING?

WHAT DO THE KNIGHTS OF THE SILVER-TREE SEE ME AS...?

ANGELIQUE, YOUR GIFT WILL BRING HAPPI-NESS TO THE WORLD.

Rustle

YOU WILL KNOW SHORTLY.

HOWEVER, IT SHOULD NOT BE SPOKEN OF AT PRESENT. NOT BY ME.

FEAR NOT, ANGEL-IQUE.

I WILL PROTECT YOU TO THE FURTHEST EXTENT OF MY ABILITY.

A RAY OF LIGHT SHONE UPON ARCADIA, IMPRISONED IN DARKNESS.

THE MOMENT YOU AWOKE AS THE QUEEN EGG

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The Queen Egg

THE LIGHT WHICH DWELLS WITHIN YOU IS A GIFT BRINGING HAPPINESS TO THE WORLD.

ANGEL-IQUE,

WHO ARE YOU?

WHY ARE YOU SPEAKING TO ME?

BEFORE KNOWING WHO I AM, YOU MUST FIRST ..

THE ANSWER COULD UNEXPECTEDLY BE WITHIN YOU.

IT'S SAID THAT THE DREAMER'S DEEP SUBCONSCIOUS COMES TO THE SURFACE.

COME TO TERMS WITH PRECISELY WHAT YOU ARE.

I'VE BEEN HAVING A DREAM WHICH GOES LIKE THAT LATELY.

THE ANSWER'S WITHIN ME.

I could look for a book on psychology.

THANK YOU, RAYNE! I'LL THINK A LITTLE HARDER ABOUT IT..

OK, I'LL TAKE THE REST BY MYSELF.

EH?

IT LINGERS DISTURBINGLY IN MY MIND FOR A WHILE AFTERWARDS.

Nyx-san likes black tea and I think I decided on the spice set for J.D-san

Sigh

Fy

I BOUGHT SOME THINGS I THINK EVERYONE WILL ENJOY!

mp

I'D BETTER GO AND DROP THEM OFF.

I'LL DELIVER THEM.

Lift

IF YOU INSIST ..

YOU CAN DEPEND ON ME A BIT MORE, YOU KNOW.

I'LL TELL EVERYONE THIS STUFF'S FROM YOU.

YOU WILL?

THANK YOU, RAYNE.

Bdmp.

HMM...

WHAT A BEAUTI-FUL BUT-TERFLY.

THAT EVENING AFTER THE BALLROOM PARTY?

DON'T MENTION IT.

I'M SORRY FOR SAYING SOME HARSH THINGS BEFORE...

WAIT! THERE'S A BUTTERFLY BY YOUR FEET!

A BUTTER-FLY?

WHERE?

Slip

IT'S QUICKER IF I CUT THROUGH HERE.

THEN I'LL TAKE THIS RIGHT AWAY.

HASN'T RAYNE NOTICED IT?

Flutter
Flutter
Flutter
Catch
SAFE.
KYAA!?
WHOA
...
Flutter
Flutter
Flutter
Hmm.
ULTIMATELY, THAT BUTTERFLY ..
WAS ONLY WITNESSED BY ANGELIQUE.
MOST CURIOUS.

Now then.

SPEAKING OF CURIOUS, RAYNE-KUN.

I KNEW YOU WERE EATING THE BERRIES FROM THE GARDENS, BUT I HAD NO IDEA YOU'D MADE A FOOTPATH FOR YOUR OWN PERSONAL USE.

A SHINING BUTTER-FLY, WAS IT?

ARE YOU SURE YOU DON'T KNOW ANYTHING ELSE, ANGEL-IQUE?

SIP

I'M SURE.

I HAVE A SUGGES-TION...

THERE'S A LEGEND IN MY HOME TOWN PERTAINING TO BUTTER-FLIES.

EASTWARD OF THE ARCADIAN ISLE OF CYLLESE...

IT IS SAID THAT THE SOULS OF THE DEAD ARE REBORN AS BUTTERFLIES.

Gulp

AND PERHAPS THE POWER DWELLING WITHIN YOU...

MADE IT POSSIBLE TO SEE THEM...

WHAT A WONDER-FUL TALE.

THE BUTTERFLY MIGHT BE A CLOSE FRIEND OF YOURS, HYUUGA.

EVEN THOUGH THEIR CORPO-REAL FORM DISAPPEARED,

I'M SURE THEIR FEELINGS REMAINED, SO THEY WATCH OVER YOU.

clench

.....

THAT MAY BE SO.

BANG BANG BANG

Please save us!

...e us.

BANG BANG BANG

OTHERWISE OUR FIELDS... OUR VILLAGE WILL BE DESTROYED BY FIRE!

PLEASE ACCEPT MY REQUEST.

TAKE YOUR TIME, IT'S ALL RIGHT.

JUST CALM DOWN AND SLOWLY TELL US WHAT HAPPENED.

ORB HUNTER!

THIS IS A CRITICAL SITUATION.

THE KNIGHTS OF THE SILVER-TREE ARE THERE, BUT SO FEW IN NUMBER THAT

PYRO-THANATOI HAVE CAUSED WILDFIRES TO BREAK OUT EVERYWHERE

THE KNIGHT'S COMPANY . I WILL SEE TO THIS COMMISSION.

MEOW

I'LL HEAD OUT THERE TOO.

UNLESS I CLEANSE THE THANATOI RAPIDLY AND SAVE THEM

EVERYONE'S DISTRESS IS AGGRAVATED BY THE FIRE

Rustle

YES ...

KYUU-GA-SAN

LET'S REST A WHILE IN THIS AREA.

WE'VE COVERED A LOT OF GROUND

Tread

Tread

SHOW ME YOUR FEET.

ANGEL-IQUE,

REMEMBER, WE HAVE TO ARRIVE AT THE ASSIGNED LOCATION PROMPTLY.

I'M ALL RIGHT, ERVIN.

Meow

I'VE APPLIED AN HERBAL CONCOCTION TO THIS COMPRESS THAT WILL DULL THE PAIN.

IT'S SOMETHING I OFTEN USED MYSELF WHEN PART OF THE KNIGHTS' COMPANY.

ALLOW ME.

I—I CAN DO IT MYSELF.

UM.

ISN'T IT A NUISANCE FOR YOU?

NOT IN THE LEAST!

I CANNOT SAY THAT THE PATH OF WAR BECOMES A GENTEEL MAIDEN SUCH AS YOURSELF.

YOU ARE TRULY AN ENTITY WHICH OUGHT TO BE PROTECTED IN AN APPROPRIATE SETTING.

THIS POWER OF MINE IS FOR OPPOSING THE DARKNESS OF THE THANATOI.

I CANNOT SIMPLY NEGLECT THOSE IN TROUBLE.

...

WHAT EXACTLY WOULD AN APPROPRIATE SETTING BE?

Tug

Throb

Mmm!

Catch!

...
THANK YOU FOR THE COMPRESS.

Brush

NOW, LET'S HURRY ON!

I WILL SHIELD YOU FROM HARM.

HOWEVER, YOU SHOULD AVOID OVER-EXERTION.

IN DANGEROUS TIMES EVEN I CAN GUARD YOU, HYUUGA-SAN.

I DO NOT MATTER IN THE SLIGHTEST.

EVEN IF THIS BODY OF MINE IS TORN ASUNDER, I WILL PROTECT YOU.

HAA!

WHAT EXACTLY AM I..

FOR YOU TO USE SUCH EXTREME WORDS?

AAH!

WHAT SUPERB LANCE TECHNIQUE AS YOU'D EXPECT!

CAPTAIN DIONNE!

I'M PLEASED TO SEE NOTHING'S CHANGED WITH YOU, HYUUGA

I HEARD A FEW ORB HUNTERS WERE COMING, BUT TO THINK IT WAS YOU!

WHAT IS OUR NEXT MOVE?

THE SPREAD OF FIRE TO THE UPPER REGIONS IS TOO FAR GONE

TELL THE FARMERS TO HARVEST ALL THE WHEAT LYING DOWNWIND!

AS EXPECTED OF YOU.

THE KNIGHTS' CAPTAIN STEPS UP ONTO THE STAGE.

Step

WAIT, HYUUGA.

IS THERE ANYTHING I MIGHT DO TO HELP?

UMM ...

MIGHT I ASK YOU TO LOOK OVER THEIR MEDICAL CARE, ANGELIQUE-DONO?

DIONNE-SAN...

IS ONE OF HYUUGA-SAN'S FRIENDS.

THERE ARE PEOPLE AILING FROM SMOKE INHALATION.

LONG AGO, I RECALL YOU MENTIONED YOU WANTED TO BECOME A LEGENDARY KNIGHT WHO SERVED THE QUEEN.

I'VE HEARD THE DETAILS FROM THE GROUP AT THE DANCE PARTY.

I WAS ALSO ASTONISHED UPON HEARING THE EXTENT OF ANGELIQUE-DONO'S CLEANSING POWER.

EVEN NOW YOU STILL HOLD THAT SAME DESIRE!

YOUR NEXT COMMAND, DIONNE-SAMA!

SAY NO MORE, DIONNE.

HOW GOES IT, ANGEL-IQUE!?

IT'S... BEGINNING TO SETTLE DOWN.

SWAY

HAS THE FIRE...?

HYUUGA ...SAN.

HOW ARE... THE FIELDS?

HOW-EVER...

THE BLAZE HAS NOT YET BEEN EXTIN-GUISHED.

ANGE-IQUE, YOU'RE—

THERE IS NOTHING ELSE WE CAN DO HERE.

WE'RE RETURNING TO HIDAMARI VILLA

I...

I DON'T WANT TO.

FURTHERMORE, STAYING HERE ANY LONGER WOULD PLACE TOO MUCH STRAIN ON YOU, PHYSICALLY.

glare

I'M PERFECTLY FINE!

AND I CAN'T JUST LEAVE LIKE THIS!

I'M GOING TO HELP PUT OUT THE FIRE.

DESPITE HIS OLD FRIENDS, THE KNIGHTS OF THE SILVER-TREE BEING HERE, HE'S SAYING TO DESERT THEM

HOW CAN HYUUGA-SAN BE SO COLD!

crackle

crackle

crackle

WHAT ON EARTH IS HYUUGA DOING.

ANGEL-IQUE-DONO!?

GET BACK, ANGELIQUE-DONO!!

oh!

pop pop

SHOVE

EH?

Sssstt

Peek

THIS IS...

NOTHING

ANGEL-IQUE-DONO!

HYUUGA!

HYUUGA-SAN!

ANGELIQUE-DONO, PLEASE DON'T MAKE THAT FACE.

I'LL ENTRUST THE REMAINDER TO YOUR MEN, DIONNE.

SWIPE

ARE YOU ALL RIGHT ..!?

YES.

TRUST HYUUGA AND LEAVE THIS IN OUR HANDS.

HYUUGA WAS ONCE SELECTED TO BE A "PALADIN,"

THE GREATEST HONOR BESTOWABLE UPON A KNIGHT.

HYUUGA-SAN,

ARE YOU SAYING YOU'RE ALL RIGHT WITH THIS?

I, DIONNE, AS CAPTAIN OF THE KNIGHTS OF THE SILVER TREE...

IT'S ALL BEEN BURNED AWAY.

THOUGH THEY WERE FIELDS WE PUT EVERYTHING INTO CARING FOR

WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN TO US NOW?

AND HYUUGA'S OLD FRIEND, ASK THIS OF YOU.

AND PRAY, ANGELIQUE.

YOU MUST NOT LET YOURSELF BE SWAYED BY GRIEF

FOCUS YOUR MIND QUIETLY INWARDS. .

Ah!

COULD YOU BE—!

THE QUEEN!

Jump

I HAVE AN OVERALL GRASP OF THE MATTER.

AH!

I THINK I'LL GO BACK, EVEN IF I HAVE TO DO IT ALONE.

THERE MUST BE SOME-THING USEFUL I CAN DO, AFTER ALL.

Clack

THE KNIGHTS' DUTY IS TO PROTECT THE PEOPLE FROM THANATOI.

AND TO PUT FORTH ALL EFFORT POSSIBLE, BELIEVING IN THE ADVENT OF THE QUEEN.

STILL ...

THE WILD-FIRES SEEM TO BE EXPANDING EVEN NOW.

ALTHOUGH WE SHOULD AT LEAST BE THANKFUL FOR THE LACK OF INJURIES.

WHATEVER IS THE MATTER, HYUUGA?

WHY ARE YOU ACTING SO DEFERENTIAL..Y?

I UNDERSTAND. A COMPENSATORY FUND TO SUPPLIMENT FOR THE PROVISIONS LOST BY THE BURNT FIELDS... CORRECT.

I'LL HAVE THE ARRANGEMENTS MADE DIRECTLY

MY...

WITH THE SOLE INTENTION OF ASCERTAINING WHETHER YOU WOULD GIVE YOUR AID.

I PURSUED THIS CONVERSATION...

FORGIVE ME...

Throb

AAH... THERE ARE MANY DIFFERENT METHODS OF HELPING PEOPLE.

YET I IMPETUOUSLY TRIED TO LEAVE BECAUSE OF MY MISUNDERSTANDING.

I HAVEN'T EVEN SAID THANK YOU FOR SAVING ME.

NOW THAT I THINK OF IT ..

I'LL PAY A VISIT TO HYUUGA-SAN'S ROOM TOMORROW.

HYUUGA-SAN, IT'S ANGELIQUE.

HMM ...

tock

Rustle

I'LL TAKE A QUICK PEEK...

!

HIS ARM'S IN THAT STATE ALL BECAUSE HE SHIELDED ME!

HYLLIGA-SAN, SHOW ME YOUR ARM!

UGH...

I THINK THE PURIFYING ENERGY SHOULD EASE THE PAIN A LITTLE.

UMM.. I CAME TO SAY THANK YOU, AND THAT I'M SORRY FOR EVERYTHING ...

ANGE-LIQUE, WHY ARE YOU HERE...?

I'M SO SORRY

WHEN YOU SAID WE WERE LEAVING,

I THOUGHT YOU WERE SUCH A COLD PERSON, HYUUGA-SAN.

IF I'D TRUSTED YOU A LITTLE EARLIER,

YOU WOULDN'T HAVE GOTTEN THESE WOUNDS.

IF I'D BEEN MORE COMPETENT..

THAT'S RIGHT. IF I HAD A POWER LIKE THE QUEEN'S.

"I THOUGHT I COULD BE STRONG IF I WAS A PALADIN"

"THAT'S WHY I STRIVED TO DO MY VERY UTMOST."

I WANT TO BE STRONGER.

...I WANT A POWER LIKE THE QUEEN'S.

TUG

IF I HAD MORE POWER THAT TIME WITH THE FIRE, I COULD HAVE BEEN SOME HELP

EH!?

THOUGH STILL UNAWAKENED, YOU ARE A QUEEN EGG.

A BEING WHOM A KNIGHT MUST PROTECT AT ANY COST.

I'D RESOLVED NOT TO SPEAK OF THIS UNTIL THE AURORA GLOWS IN THE NIGHT SKY...

AS EVIDENCE OF HER MAJESTY, THE QUEEN.

HYUU-GA-SAN?

I WONDER WHAT HE'S GOING TO SAY

HOWEVER, IT SEEMS THE TIME HAS COME FOR YOU TO KNOW.

BDMP

I'M A...

BDMP

TONIGHT GO TO ANGEL PLAZA

BDMP

ANGEL-IQUE

BDMP

BDMP

BDMP

FOR THERE YOU WILL KNOW YOUR TRUE FORM

ANGEL-IQUE!

QUEEN EGG...!?

grip
.....
PRAY FOR IF YOU WISH IT FROM THE DEPTHS OF YOUR HEART, IT WILL TAKE SHAPE.
THE QUEEN WHO APPEARED IN YOUR DREAMS ...
IS SAID TO HAVE PRAYED IN THIS LOCATION, I BELIEVE.
ANGEL PLAZA LYS

THAT'S RIGHT.

YES...

IS FOR A BLESSED RAIN TO QUELL THE FLAMES.

MY PLEA ...

I'LL PRAY...

WHILE BELIEVING.

Splssssh

Rumble

Drip

Drip

CAPTAIN DIONNE, RAIN!

IT'S A MIRACLE ..

ANGELIQUE, OPEN YOUR EYES AND TAKE A LOOK.

EVIDENCE OF THE QUEEN

...

THE AURORA'S GLOWING!

THE QUEEN EGG HAS BEEN BORN!

...

AMAZING!

THEN PLEASE SHED SOME LIGHT ON THE FUTURE.

IF THIS IS MY POWER

LOOK, IT'S THE AURORA

Scratch

...I CAN ONLY HOPE...

THAT THE GIRL WILL DISTRACT ME FROM MY BOREDOM A LITTLE.

OUR ALLIES ARE INCREAS-ING...

IN THIS BIRDCAGE OF OURS, RUNE.

Chirp

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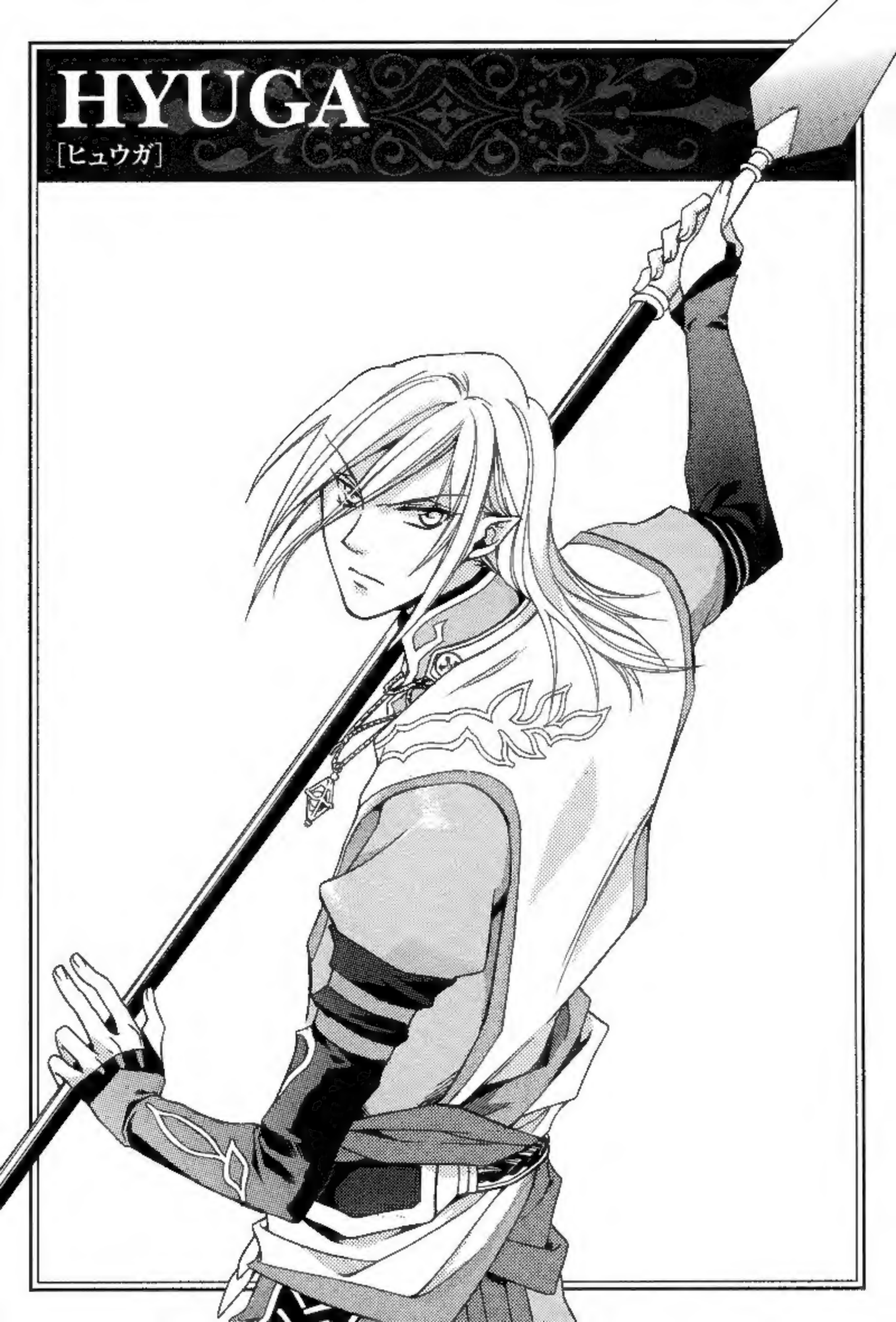

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PLEASED TO MEET YOU AND HELLO. KAJIYAMA MIKA HERE. FIRST OFF, I MUST SAY THANKS TO ALL THE PEOPLE WHO HAVE READ THE COMIC VERSION OF "NEO ANGELIQUE"! THANK YOU SO MUCH.
THE WHOLE REASON I WAS ABLE TO DRAW THIS STORY IS DUE TO ASHI-SAN, KOEI, AND YURA KAIRI-SENSEI FOR CREATING SUCH WONDERFUL CHARACTERS AND MY OVERSEER FOR HELPING ME EVER SO MUCH.
I THINK IT'D BE GREAT IF I COULD MATURE ALONG WITH ANGELIQUE AS SHE DEVELOPS AS A QUEEN EGG. I'LL TRY MY BEST!
WELL THEN, HERE'S HOPING WE CAN MEET AGAIN IN VOLUME 2...